



Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 23 with the following rewritten paragraph:

a2 --The method of the present invention advantageously places a protective metallic layer onto a semi-permeable container to prevent label inks and adhesives from migrating into the container. Thus, the protective layer helps to prevent contamination of the product contents.--

In the Abstract of the Disclosure:

Please change the title in the Abstract of the Disclosure on page 14, lines 1-2 to "METHOD AND CONTAINERS FOR PREVENTING CONTAMINATION OF PRODUCTS FROM PRODUCT LABELS AND ADHESIVES".

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-7 and 11-21 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 23-25.

a3 --23. The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes a pharmaceutical bottle.

24. The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes an IV bag.

25. The safe container of claim 8, wherein the semi-permeable container includes a plastic-wrapped food package.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application. Claims 1-7 and 11-18 have been canceled as non-elected claims following a restriction requirement. Claims 8-10 and 19-22 stand rejected. Claims 19-21 have been canceled. New claims 23-25 have been